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Letter from the Prez:

Hello shooters!

It's been a while. A long while. I think the last newsletter I sent out was just before Christmas. I didn't realize that I'd be even busier as Prez than I was as VP. What's the saying... something about a one-armed-paper-hangar? Yep, that's how I feel!

There is some good news to share, the fence is up (mostly), the road is going to get cut this summer, and the April gun show was a nice, big one!

The fence has been almost completely put up. There are two sections that are unfinished, the two places the road crosses the fence. The fence looks a little funny to those of us who have spent much time in the cattle-growing West. It looks the way it does because it is not "livestock fence", it is "wildlife fence". It has wire spacing and barbless runs so deer, elk, and antelope can cross without getting tangled up in it. It's a little different, but it will do the job!

Mack Mackenzie and I met with the Game and Fish engineers and the contractor that is going to cut the road. Right now, they are only looking at cutting enough road to get it on our side of the fence, but they are going to cut it with drainage and lay down material on the top to help keep it good. They are trying to get the new road in before July 1st to meet their fiscal year. Once the new road is cut, we can string the wire across

where the old road went. Range improvements are moving forward, thanks to Mike Raum, the new Range Administrator at the Game and Fish. There are so many improvements to do, and I can't wait to get them in.

Bill Watkins is the right guy to have as V.P. One of the big jobs the V.P. has is to produce the semi-annual gun show. If you missed the one in April, you missed a really good one, and the best one we've had in a few years. Bill did a bang-up job on getting vendors for the show (we sold over 50 tables), getting advertising out, and getting people in through the door. It generated some much needed operating capital for NASA, and will go a long way with our upcoming range improvements.

All-in-all, it's shaping up to be a pretty good year for the range.

Remember the Fun Shoot on June 13th. It's \$2.00 per shooter for the whole event. You win bragging rights! We'll be shooting at things like paintballs, aspirins, eggs, balloons, etc... We'll have a couple timed events too. Our Trophy shoot is in July, so plan for that as well.

Sincerely,

Bowen Udall
President
Northeastern Arizona Sportsman's Association, Inc.

p.s. I lost almost everyone's e-mail address and only have the ones from the current memberships, so if you know someone who enjoyed getting this in the past, forward it to them and have them send me their e-mail

Just a Few Thoughts from the Vice President:

** Editor's Note: Bill gave this to me mid-April, so when he talks about dates, it's my fault, not his! **

For anyone that missed the gun show it was a really good show. We had 383 people come check it out and it looked like almost everyone walked out with something. We ended up with 51 table spaces and all the vendors I talked to did good. Our horn buyer did real good and took in over 600 pounds of antlers and he said he will be back next April to do it again. Out of all our vendors we only had two that didn't show up and they sure missed a good show. We did ok on the raffle too. We had a couple of happy winners of guns a Springfield 1911 pistol and a Bushmaster AR-15. Now we need to get ready for our fall show the second weekend of October and most of our vendors said they will be back for the October show.

Remember the lock at the range was changed as of May 1st so only the new keys will work. Also remember not to loan out your key to anyone, you are able to bring guests but if nonmembers get caught using some ones key, the key may be revoked. Speaking of the range the fencing is going up and looking good. Once the fencing is done the next thing is our new road. I can't wait until the game and fish start the dirt work on the range, we have been waiting for so long to get things moving.

Anyone that needs to renew their membership can either print one off the NASA website or stop by The Cave in Mountain View, or the Senior Center.

Open day at the range is the 4th Saturday of each month and a range safety officer will be onsite at the main range. At this time we only have two "RSOs" range safety officers but we are planning on training more in the next few months. If you are interested in being a range safety officer let one of your board members know so we can get you on the list.

Lastly remember that this is our range and please pick up after yourself and above all remember safety first, we don't want anyone getting hurt while using our range. The range rules are posted on site and it never hurts to take a minute and read over them.

Bill Watkins
NASA VP

Letters and concerns from members:

I frequently get comments, suggestions, and concerns from members. People will catch me when they see me, send me e-mails, or even call me. I am always glad when people let me know about things, even when it's a problem that needs to be corrected. I take all these things to heart, and try my best to use them to improve things.

A member mentioned at our members' meeting that some of the chairs we have at the range had been shot up. There was a little bit of discussion about this, so I went out the next day to see for myself. Unfortunately, he was right. There are two chairs that have obviously been used either as targets, or as target holders. I took some pictures to show everyone:





This is completely unacceptable. I hope the people that did this are not members and were just trespassing. What possesses someone to do this? This IS criminal damage, and if/when caught, charges WILL be pressed. IF anyone knows who did this, please let me know, I need to revoke their memberships, trespass them from the range, and turn them in to the police. If the person(s) responsible is reading this, man up and turn in your keys, you are not intelligent enough to own a firearm or be on our range.

This is the EXACT reason we don't hand out keys to the target shed. This is the EXACT reason we don't leave target stands out (we have tried and the stands either get stolen or destroyed in less than a week). I'd love for the same key that opens the gate to open the target shed so members can use the stands, but I'd bet \$100 it was a member, or someone a member loaned a key to that shot up these chairs.

I don't want to have to take measures to prevent the least-common-denominators from doing this, but if people keep causing damage, we will have no choice. Just like the rest of the world, the criminals among us cause measures to be taken against ALL of us.

Upcoming Shoots and Events:

- **Fun Shoot** – June 13th, 9:00am. This is exactly what it's called. \$2 for the day. We shoot for bragging rights. We shoot aspirins, eggs, balloons, whatever.
- **Trophy Shoot** – July 11th, 9:00 am. There are several categories in adult, junior and peewee divisions. Come show off your skills and win a trophy!
- **Trophy Trap Shoot** – August 8th, 9:00am. If it flies, it dies. Come win a trophy for your shotgunner skills!

Continuous Shoots and Events:

- The **Board of Directors meeting** is held on the second Friday of every month, 6:30pm at the St. Johns public library. The next one will be **June 12th**.
- The **Scholastic Clays Target Program** is held on the first and third Saturdays of every month at 10:00am on the Shotgun Range. The next one will be **June 6th** at 10:00am. This program is funded by the Arizona Game and Fish, and is free for the youth. [Sign-up forms can be found here](#). General information about the SCTP can be found on [the Game and Fish SCTP page](#). Contact Bowen Udall at bowen.udall@nasashootingsports.com for more information. Our Facebook page is www.facebook.com/leadingedgeshooters
- Members' Meeting. Fourth Saturday of the month. This is where the members meet with each other and the board members to discuss things about the club. The next one is **June 26**.
- The **Scholastic Clays Target Program** is held on the first and third Saturdays of every month at 10:00am on the Shotgun Range. The next one will be **June 20th** at 10:00am. This program is funded by the Arizona Game and Fish, and is free for the youth. [Sign-up forms can be found here](#). General information about the SCTP can be found on [the Game and Fish SCTP page](#). Contact Bowen Udall at bowen.udall@nasashootingsports.com for more information. Our Facebook page is www.facebook.com/leadingedgeshooters

Range News:

The fence is (sorta) done! The County crew did a good job. If you see Clint Heap, be sure to tell him, "Thanks". The reason it is 'sorta' done is because we couldn't finish the fence where it crosses the road. Once the new road is put in this summer, we'll be able to finish the last two pieces of fence.

The April gun show went well. Lots of vendors and lots of people through the door. Jason Clark won the Springfield 1911 pistol, and Glenn Joy won the Bushmaster AR-15. Congratulations, guys!

NASA Politics:

- **Board of Directors meeting** – The Board of Directors meets twice a month. First at the Board of Directors meeting on the second Friday of the month at 6:30pm at the St. Johns Library, second at the Members Meeting. The Board of Directors is responsible for making decisions for the club and take into consideration suggestions and opinions from members. Come to the meetings and participate.
- **Members meeting** – On the fourth Friday of the Month, the Board of Directors meets to hear from the members. The directors use members suggestions to help guide the club in the direction it needs to go.
- **Bylaws** – [NASA's bylaws can be found here](#).
- **Range Facilities Standard Operating Procedures** – [SOPs can be found here](#).

- **Your Board of Directors:**
 - **President:** Bowen Udall
 - – 928-245-3666 – texts are by far the easiest way to get ahold of me
 - – email at bowen.udall@nasashootingsports.com
 - **Vice President:** Bill Watkins
 - **Treasurer:** Ben File
 - **Secretary:** Pat Hall
 - **Board members:**
 - Katrina Watkins
 - Mack MacKenzie
 - Ron Carnett

NASA Website/Facebook/Twitter:

- We have been striving to keep our website up to date with current information. The main page has a listing of shoots and events coming up. There is also a “contact us” page, a Google calendar of events, documents to download, and information about NASA. The address is <http://www.nasashootingsports.com>.
- If you are on Facebook, liking our Facebook page will give you updates right on your wall feed. Our Facebook page is the one that gets updated most often, so it’s a good one to follow. The page is at <http://www.facebook.com/NASASports>.
- Our Twitter feed is occasionally updated, but will be the way we disseminate information during shoots, events, and the gun show. We’ll tweet who wins in categories, tweet when categories are about to start, and tweet other various information. The Twitter page is <http://www.twitter.com/NASASports>.

About NASA:

Northeastern Arizona Sportsman’s Association, Inc. was created in 1998 and incorporated in 2006. NASA’s goal is to promote safe firearm usage for children and adults alike. NASA is a non-profit corporation that is run by an elected board of directors. Everyone who works for NASA does so on a volunteer basis.

About NASA News:

NASA News is an experiment created by Bowen Udall, the NASA Vice President at the time, in hopes of raising the communication level in the club. He wanted to make sure that all members of NASA knew about what was happening with the club, and know about all the events planned. If you have ideas for the newsletter, or complaints, or want to add or remove your name from the NASA News mailing list, or especially if you want to help, e-mail him at bowen.udall@nasashootingsports.com. Forward this e-mail to a friend that might be interested. You can get back issues of NASA News, as well as a PDF version of the current issue from our webpage: <http://nasashootingsports.com/about-us--files.html>

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